

**REGULAR MEETING of the Town Council held on Wednesday, May 11, 2005 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. in the Media Center of the Burrillville High School, 425 East Avenue, Harrisville, for and within the Town of Burrillville.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Council President Wallace F. Lees; Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, Ronald E. Faford and William E. Gonyea.**

**MEMBERS ABSENT: None**

**1. Council President Wallace F. Lees led those present in pledging allegiance to the flag.**

**2. VOTED to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held April 27, 2005, the workshop held March 22, 2005, the special meeting held April 27, 2005, and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

### **3. Public Comment:**

**Carl Toti of Pascoag asked whether Council President Wallace F. Lees would allow comment under individual agenda items. Council President Lees noted that this is the Town Council's usual practice.**

### **4. General Good and Welfare of the Town of Burrillville.**

**Councilor Jacqueline Zahn spoke of the results of the May 3, 2005 special election, at which the electorate supported a bond referendum for the renovation of the W.L. Callahan School. Councilor Zahn commended the voters' decision and commented on the quality of a considered decision arrived upon after hearing both sides of the issue.**

**Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, congratulated Councilor Margaret L. Dudley on her birthday.**

**Michael C. Wood announced EMS week May 15 – 21, 2005 and recognized emergency service professionals.**

**Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, spoke of the public hearing related to the municipal budget scheduled to be held on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 7:00 P.M. at the Burrillville High School Auditorium.**

**On behalf of Cheri R. Hall, Director of Parks & Recreation, Michael C.**

**Wood, Town Manager thanked the Town departments for their assistance with the 2005 Family Fair, which he said was successful, despite inclement weather.**

**Councilor Jacqueline Zahn noted that the Burrillville Organization for Substance Abuse Prevention (BOSAP) had republished the Community Resource Catalog, which is a comprehensive listing of services available to residents. Councilor Zahn noted that the publication is a collaborative effort with the Town Clerk's office and commended all those involved.**

**5. Petitions: None**

**6. Special Business:**

**05-161 VOTED to grant an annual victualing license to Anabell's, Spring Lake, to apply at 50 Old Hillside Drive on property owned by the Town of Burrillville (Map 93, Lot 41).**

**Motion by Councilor William E. Gonyea. Second by Councilor William A. Andrews. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**7. Unfinished Business:**

**05-007 VOTED to reopen item 05-007 to further discuss and act on the naming of the Mapleville Bridge, as requested by Councilor Nancy F. Binns.**

**Motion by Councilor William E Gonyea. Second by Councilor William A. Andrews. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**Discussion: Councilor Nancy F. Binns recounted the original request to name the bridge for Edmund L. Okoniewski and the concerns of residents about other veterans who had not been included in the bridge naming. Councilor Binns said that, based on discussions with those residents, an acceptable option had been determined: the recommendation was that the bridge would remain Mapleville Bridge and a plaque at the proposed park would bear the names of the three Mapleville veterans who were killed during World War II.**

**VOTED to reconsider the earlier vote to name the bridge.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor Ronald E. Faford. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**VOTED to call the new Mapleville Bridge the new Mapleville Bridge.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**Further Discussion:**

**Resident Kevin Blais questioned the policy of reconsidering a vote. Councilor Jacqueline Zahn and Walter J. Kane, Town Solicitor, explained the rules of order that control such a motion.**

**Resident David Rossi asked whether Kevin Blais would be expected to pay for the plaque, since the name of the bridge no longer honored a veteran. Council President Wallace F. Lees said that he would not. Mr. Blais asked to be considered as benefactor of the plaque in the proposed park.**

**8. New Business:**

**05-162 VOTED to open the correspondence from Thomas J. Kravitz, Planning and Economic Development Coordinator, regarding CEDS & EDA Applications – Gas Line Extension.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**Discussion: Thomas J. Kravitz, Planning & Economic Development Coordinator, reviewed the process by which the gas line extension had been added to the list and noted that the possibility of this project being funded under the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) was unlikely. Mr. Kravitz said that he had been informed that scoring for funding for a CEDS project in a rural Town would be low, that the cities scored much higher and that a joint project of several rural communities might have a better chance. Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, said that the Town has applied for Federal funding for this project for several years, that the project had been one of the Town Council's goals for some time, that the administration had sought advice and that it had been determined that it would not be practical to proceed. Mr. Wood recommended withdrawal from the process. Councilor William A. Andrews pointed out that the project would be impossible without funding.**

**VOTED to receive and file.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor**

**Jacqueline Zahn. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**Note: The gas line extension project will be placed on hold.**

**05-163 VOTED to open a public hearing regarding the correspondence from Thomas J. Kravitz, Planning & Economic Development Coordinator, regarding his recommendation that the Town Council set priorities for individual applications and adopt a resolution in support of the CDBG Application.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor Ronald E. Faford. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**NOTE: The above was duly advertised in the Providence Journal on Wednesday, May 11, 2005.**

**1. Proponents: None**

**2. Opponents: None**

### **3. Town Council Members Comments/Input:**

**Councilor Jacqueline Zahn asked whether it might not be preferable to list the Burrillville Scout Reach Program as first priority, since the amount involved was small. There was some discussion of the weight given to the Council ranking when Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications are considered.**

**Councilors asked the status of work at Maplehill Mobile Home Park. There was discussion of the implementation of the sewer system, progress and delays related to that system and the possibility that there would be future projects that might be funded under the CDBG program.**

### **4. VOTED to close the public hearing.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**VOTED to pass the resolution and rank the project in the order recommended by the Planner, as follows:**

**Program Category Amount**



**Stillwater Mill Redevelopment Growth Center Slum & Blight (spot) \$272,350**

**Narragansett Council Boys Scouts of America – Burrillville Scout Reach Program Public Service \$1,800**

**Maplehill Mobile Home Park – Water System Improvements Public Facilities \$100,000**

**Program Administration Planning/Administration \$10,000**

## **Burrillville Town Council**

### **Resolution**

**WHEREAS, funds are available under the Rhode Island Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program, administered by the Community Development office; and,**

**WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Rhode Island has authorized the Director of said Community Development office to disburse such funds; and,**

**WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the citizens of the Town of Burrillville that application be made to undertake a Small Cities Community Development Program.**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BURRILLVILLE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE: That the filing of this**

**application for the amount of \$331,800 to implement the activities proposed herein is hereby authorized and that Wallace F. Lees, Council President, is hereby authorized and directed to file this application with the Community Development Office, to provide any additional information or documents required by said office, to make any assurances required in connection with this program, to execute an agreement with the State of Rhode Island and to otherwise act as the Representative of the Town of Burrillville in all matters relating to this application and any award which may be based upon this application.**

**Adopted this 11th day of May, 2005.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William A. Andrews. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-164 VOTED to receive and open the correspondence from Lt. Kevin S. San Antonio, Acting Chief of Police, regarding Mutual Aid Agreements with the towns of North Smithfield and Glocester.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William A. Andrews. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors**

**Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**Discussion: Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, explained that the mutual aid agreements were a requirement that resulted from Homeland Security measures. Mr. Wood said that currently, the agreements were with Rhode Island towns contiguous to the Town of Burrillville but that, in time, the program might be expanded to include communities in Massachusetts and Connecticut.**

**VOTED to pass a resolution, as follows:**

**Town Council**

**Resolution**

**Authorizing the Chief of Police to enter into a mutual agreement with the Town of North Smithfield and the Town of Glocester.**

**WHEREAS, the Burrillville Chief of Police seeks to enter into a mutual aid agreement with the Town of North Smithfield and the Town of Glocester as provided for in Rhode Island General Laws 45-42-2, for the purpose of providing reciprocal police services across jurisdictional lines; and**

**WHEREAS, this agreement will support and enhance the capabilities of local law enforcement; and**

**WHEREAS, this agreement will provide additional protection for the residents of Burrillville and will provide additional assistance to the members of the Burrillville Police Department; and**

**WHEREAS, each participating law enforcement agency will provide the Burrillville Police Department and the Burrillville Town Council with a certified copy of a resolution by the respective Town Council authorizing the provision of police services across jurisdictional lines; and**

**WHEREAS, absent a mutual aid agreement, law enforcement officers do not have the authority to perform their duties outside their own jurisdictions in a non-emergency situation, when necessary.**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Town Council hereby acknowledges that it is advantageous to enter into a mutual aid agreement to provide non-emergency police power and services to adjacent towns, namely North Smithfield and Glocester, pursuant to the provisions of RIGL 45-42-2, and authorizes the Chief of Police to enter into said mutual aid agreement.**

**Adopted this 11th day of May, 2005.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William A. Andrews. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the**

**motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-165 VOTED to receive and open the correspondence from David Shaw, Pascoag Fire Chief, regarding the condition of Olney Keech Trail off Jackson Schoolhouse Road.**

**Motion by Councilor William E. Gonyea. Second by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**Discussion: David Shaw, Pascoag Fire Chief, explained his request that the Town perform some maintenance on Olney Keech Trail, such as grading or filling holes and ruts in the trail. Chief Shaw said that this is a matter of public safety since it would be difficult for apparatus to use the trail in case of a fire. Chief Shaw explained that he had spoken with State officials, who had indicated that Olney Keech Trail is not a State fire trail.**

**Councilor Margaret L. Dudley asked about the ownership of the trail. Chief Shaw said that the trail crosses four properties and Walter J. Kane, Town Solicitor, explained ownership of rights of way.**

**Joan Sabella identified herself as a fire commissioner and said that her daughter was the owner of the residence at the end of Olney Keech Trail. Ms. Sabella said that the road was impassable and her concern was the damage that could be done to emergency vehicles.**

**Councilor William A. Andrews recounted a similar situation on Walling Road that the Council had discussed in the past and noted that it had been determined that the resident was responsible for improvements and the Town could take no action. Councilor Andrews reviewed the recommendation of Richard A. Bernardo, P.E., Director of Public Works. Ms. Sabella said that the owners are aware that they are responsible for maintenance and described the maintenance performed each year. Ms. Sabella said that, as a fire commissioner, she was concerned about damage to emergency vehicles.**

**Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, said that the town has established a method for asking for a road to become accepted. He recommended that the property owners could contact the town clerk for details.**

**Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, suggested that the Town Council could refer the matter to the administration to review. Resident David Rossi suggested that many residents have long driveways and that the town maintaining them would not be appropriate. Mr. Wood said that these situations are reviewed individually on their own merits, taking safety into account.**

**VOTED to refer to the Town Manager.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-166 VOTED to open the correspondence from Frank Neri, President, Ischia, Inc. regarding his request for an abatement of interest on Plat 139, Lots 29 and 30; and the recommendation of John P. Mainville, Finance Director.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**It was noted that Frank Neri, President Ischia, Inc., was not present.**

**VOTED to deny.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the**

**motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-167 VOTED to open the correspondence from John P. Mainville, regarding his recommendation for funding the Callahan School renovation project and regarding establishing a building committee to oversee the project.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

## **VOTED**

- 1. to authorize the funding of the second phase [Design Development] and third phase [Construction Phase] of the consulting contract for the Callahan School Renovation Project to Robinson Green Beretta Corporation (RGB) in the amount of \$570,338 (broken down as follows: second phase [\$349,313], third phase [\$139,813], expenses [\$27,000], and contingency balance [\$54,212]). The total cost of this contract is not to exceed \$618,338 as authorized in the April\* meeting;**
- 2. that any funds paid on this project by the Town prior to the actual sale and issuance of the general obligation bonds will be reimbursed from those bond proceeds;**



**3. that a building committee be established to oversee the Callahan School Renovation project.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor Ronald E. Faford. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**\*Note: the vote referred to was taken at the regular meeting of the Burrillville Town Council held Wednesday, January 12, 2005.**

**VOTED to refer the question of the building committee to the Screening Subcommittee.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-168 VOTED to open discussion, consideration and action on issues and options related to compensation and health insurance benefits for elected officials.**

**Motion by Councilor William E. Gonyea. Second by Councilor William A. Andrews. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the**

motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.

**Discussion:** At the request of Council President Wallace F. Lees, Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, reviewed the April 26, 2005 report he had prepared at the direction of the Town Council. Mr. Wood indicated that the report suggested long-term measures that the Town should consider, including alternatives. Mr. Wood said that, to be effective, the measures should apply to all groups covered by health insurance, but that this would require time and effort, particularly for those groups over which the Town Council has no control. Mr. Wood suggested that it would benefit the Town to hire a professional to assist in establishing the plan.

Mr. Wood said that it was unclear whether the Town Council could change health insurance benefits for the School Committee and suggested that the Town Council and School Committee should meet to establish a plan. Walter J. Kane, Town Solicitor, supported a meeting but stated his opinion that the Town Council could, by Charter, change the health insurance benefit for the School Committee.

Walter J. Kane, Town Solicitor, spoke of achieving overall savings in health insurance costs. Mr. Kane suggested that any changes adopted by the Town Council for individual agencies other than

**elected officials should be adopted in a manner that allows for negotiation.**

**Councilor William A. Andrews suggested that changes in health insurance costs could be achieved by changing the carrier, negotiating co-pays or changing the health insurance package.**

**Councilor Margaret L. Dudley suggested that since the agenda item lists compensation and benefits for elected officials, the discussion should be limited to that. Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, pointed to the relationship of all health insurance costs and the relevance of any action on elected officials' benefits to the overall goal of reducing organizational health care premiums. Walter J. Kane, Town Solicitor, concurred, stating that any vote must be related to elected officials but that the discussion of the impact on policy for all employees would be appropriate.**

**Councilor Margaret L. Dudley spoke of the rising cost of health care, stating her opinion that the benefit of providing health benefits for elected officials has exceeded the value. Councilor Dudley suggested that the Town Council could vote to eliminate paid health insurance for elected officials and allow them to purchase the insurance through the Town.**

**Councilor Jacqueline Zahn pointed out that any vote to change compensation could not, by Charter, take effect until after the next**

**election. Walter J. Kane, Town Solicitor, said that the Town Council's decision regarding their own compensation could not take effect until after the election; the same would not be mandatory, he said, about a Town Council decision related to the School Committee. There was discussion that, should there be a change, it would be appropriate for the change to have the same effective date for all.**

**Councilors William A. Andrews and Ronald E. Faford discussed that a co-pay would be the most easily implemented change, would set an example, but that in some cases the benefit of a co-pay is offset by salary increases. Councilor Andrews spoke of the time that Councilors invest in the position, stated that their time is worthwhile and if a co-pay were adopted, he would move for an increase in the stipend for elected officials.**

**Resident Carl Toti of Pascoag thanked the Town Council and Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, for seeking alternatives, suggested that an effort to amend contracts that specify Blue Cross to allow alternate providers, and urged the Town Council to eliminate health insurance benefits for elected officials. Mr. Toti said he could see no relationship between benefits for elected officials and benefits for employees.**

**Carl Toti of Pascoag expressed disappointment at the small number of people in attendance, which he attributed to the item being added to the agenda a few days before the meeting. Councilor Jacqueline**

**Zahn asked whether Mr. Toti intended to imply that the agenda had not been compiled and posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act (OMA). Mr. Toti acknowledged that notice had been in compliance with OMA, but asked that the town go beyond the requirements of OMA and publish certain items in The Bargain Buyer.**

**Note: The agenda for this meeting, include item #05-168, was prepared and posted in accordance with OMA on Thursday, May 5, 2005.**

**Kevin Blais of 1738 Tarkiln Road thanked Councilor Margaret L. Dudley for spearheading the discussion. He restated that the Town Council could remove School Committee benefits effective immediately and challenged the interpretation that would prohibit the Town Council from eliminating Town Council health insurance prior to the next election. Walter J. Kane, Town Solicitor, explained the Charter provision that prohibits any change in compensation.**

**Kevin Blais of 1738 Tarkiln Road referred to an online poll and his personal contacts which supported eliminating health insurance benefits for the Town Council and School Committee. There was a discussion of whether the online poll had validity, whether it had been skewed and that there had been a total of 60 votes registered in the survey. Mr. Blais suggested that eliminating health insurance for elected officials would make collective bargaining easier and offering health insurance provides no benefit to the Town.**

**Kevin Blais of 1738 Tarkiln Road said that Councilors Nancy F. Binns and Margaret L. Dudley had included as part of their 2004 platform that they would not accept health insurance. Councilor William E. Gonyea pointed that, during his 2004 reelection campaign, he had supported health insurance for elected officials and that he had been reelected.**

**MOTION that the Town Council and School Committee pay ten percent of their health insurance, effective after the next election.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor Ronald E. Faford. The motion carried, four in favor, two opposed, one abstention. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors William A. Andrews, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford. Voting in opposition were Councilors Nancy F. Binns and Margaret L. Dudley. Councilor Jacqueline Zahn abstained.**

**MOTION that the Town Council raise compensation for the Town Council and School Committee by \$1,800 per year.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion failed, two in favor, four opposed, one abstention. Voting in favor of the motion were Councilors William A. Andrews and William E. Gonyea, voting in opposition to the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Nancy F. Binns,**

**Ronald E. Faford and Margaret L. Dudley. Councilor Jacqueline Zahn abstained.**

**Further Discussion: Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, discussed the broader issues related to health insurance, reviewing the Town Council's long term goal to reduce organizational health care premiums by twenty percent. Mr. Wood discussed that the ten percent co-pay could be a part of the solution, with other measures to be considered and adopted that could achieve the long-term goal. In response to a question from Carl Toti of Pascoag Main St., Mr. Wood said that it would be inappropriate to discuss collective bargaining negotiations, but said he believed that it would be possible to attain the long-term goal of reducing health care premiums.**

**05-169 VOTED to receive and file the correspondence from Connie Leathers, Chair, Parade Committee, inviting the Burrillville Town Council to participate in the 2005 Ancients and Horribles Parade and Fourth of July Celebration.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**9. Town Clerk/Communication:**

**05-170 VOTED to receive and file the correspondence from Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, relative to drainage – O'Connor property, Map 191, Lot 36 (121 Lake Shore Drive).**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-171 VOTED to receive and file the correspondence from Senator Jack Reed regarding the Burrillville Town Council's request for funding support of the Preserve America initiative.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-172 VOTED to receive and file the request from the Town of Jamestown Town Council regarding their request for support of their resolution in support of House Bill 5030, an act relating to health and safety – division of fire safety.**



**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William A. Andrews. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-173 VOTED to support resolutions of the Town of Portsmouth Town Council regarding 1) an increase in the amount of real estate conveyance tax received by Rhode Island municipalities; and 2) pension reform.**

**Motion by Councilor William A. Andrews. Second by Councilor Ronald E. Faford. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**05-174 VOTED to receive and file the request from the City of East Providence City Council regarding their request for support of their resolution related to pension reform.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William A. Andrews. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**10. Additional New Business:**

**05-175 VOTED to grant a request for Executive Session from Town Manager Michael C. Wood pursuant to Rhode Island Open Meeting Law [§42-46-5 (a)(5)] for discussions or considerations related to the acquisition, sale and exchange of real property and [§42-46-5 (a)(2)] for discussion pertaining to litigation; and [§42-46-5 (a)(2)] for discussions pertaining to IBPO and Local 94 collective bargaining.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**There was a brief recess before the Town Council convened in Executive Session.**

**The Town Council returned to open session at 9:03 P.M.**

**VOTED to seal the minutes of the executive session, noting that there were two votes taken.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor William E. Gonyea. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the**

**motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**VOTED to adjourn at 9:03 P.M.**

**Motion by Councilor Jacqueline Zahn. Second by Councilor Ronald E. Faford. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Wallace F. Lees, Councilors Jacqueline Zahn, William A. Andrews, Nancy F. Binns, Margaret L. Dudley, William E. Gonyea and Ronald E. Faford.**

**Louise R. Phaneuf, Town Clerk**